

New London Railroad Station (Union Railroad Station)
State Street Vicinity
New London
New London County
Connecticut

HABS No. CT-347

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WRITTEN HISTORICAL AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA

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STATE Connecticut	COUNTY New London	TOWN OR VICINITY New London
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) New London Railroad Station (Union Railroad Station)		HABS NO. CT-347
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE Union Railroad Station		
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) State Street Vicinity		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) 1886-1887	ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE) Henry Hobson Richardson	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) This railroad station was designed by H.H. Richardson just before his death. It is one example of Richardson's notable later works of excellent design. Although Richardson died before the building was completed, his associates at Shepley, Ruten and Coolidge probably just finished the original plan Richardson executed.		
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE)		
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) Brick		
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) Rectangular, 2½ stories		
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE Hip roof with low dormers and two gables, hipped dormers, center double door with fan light, 2nd story project outward		
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED) Waiting room with ceiling the full height of the building, exposed wooden ceiling beams		
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES 1975, extensive restoration		
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE Houses facilities for Penn Central Railroad, also restaurant, office space		
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE The exterior has been completely restored to the original 1885 appearance during the 1975 restoration. This was the first recycled Amtrak railroad station in the nation.		
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDING LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) National Register for Historic Places, Connecticut Historic Structures and Landmarks Survey, 1967, H.H. Richardson and His Office, Exhibit Catalog, Harvard College, 1974		
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